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Subject: RE: Model progress memo

Hopefully, a review of this years EC data in conjunction with past ion balance data will reveal a fairly consistent pattern of seasonally changing ionic strength that can be applied to this year's data. There is more chemistry data also still to come as part of the USGS data that was collected this year.

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----Original Message----

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Subject: Re: Model progress memo

Hi everyone,

Earl, you did an excellent job of summarizing our conversation and our efforts over the past several months. I have no major points to add -- you covered them well.

We are concerned about the lack of water chemistry data. We did ask that general water chemistry data be collected and that this was relatively inexpensive. It is a major assumption that historic water quality parameters are applicable to present conditions. This extrapolation to past data is made very difficult by the highly variable conditions in the reservoir. We imagine that ionic strength etc. must be very low at high flows and visa-versa, high chloride, ionic strength, etc. when water levels are low. The Hg speciation is a critical piece of the puzzle and we now have much greater uncertainty with the puzzle.

Miriam

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> Wayne,

> Here is a summary of what I have learned from talking with the

> modeling team.

> <<ModelProgress Memo.doc>>

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> Earl Byron

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